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S.B. No. 1857

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the training of certain qualified handgun instructors to conduct school safety training.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 411.1901 to read as follows:

Sec. 411.1901 SCHOOL SAFETY CERTIFICATION. (a) The department shall establish and maintain a school safety certification for qualified handgun instructors. The certification shall be used to instruct a person who holds a concealed handgun license and who is an employee of a school district or an open-enrollment charter school in the following:

(1) Best practices in the protection of students;

(2) How to interact with the first responders on their arrival;

(3) Tactics to deny an intruder entry into a classroom or school facility; and

(4) Accuracy with handgun under duress.

(b) Upon certification, a qualified handgun instructor may conduct school safety training for applicants who hold a concealed handgun license.

(c) The certification course must include not less than 15 or more than 20 hours of instruction.

(d) The department may adopt rules to administer this

1 section, including the establishment of a fee sufficient to cover  
2 the costs of operation.

3 (e) The department may create rules to administer this  
4 section, including the establishment of a fee sufficient to cover  
5 the costs of operating this certification.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.